श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : 85, 86, 87 और अब 88, कांग्रेस पार्टी ने अभी तक कोई भी सुझाव चुनाव आयोग को नहीं दिया जब कि चुनाव आयोग ने उनको बार बार रिमाइंडर भेजे है।.. (व्यवधान)

श्री हंसराज भारद्वाज : पूरी कांग्रेस पार्टी के अंदर, इकाई से लेकर कांग्रेस वर्किंग कमेटी तक, इस पर डिसकशन हुआ है जब कि देश की दूसरी पार्टियां देश का खंडन करने में लगी हुई हैं। उनका और कोई काम नहीं है।

SHRI SUBRAMAINAN SWAMY: Sir, on the pretext of...

MR. CHAIRMAN: You are not asking the question.

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: I have given my name.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No. But I have called Mr. C. P. Thakur. Your turn will come.

PROF. CHANDRESH P. THAKUR: Within the proposed electoral changes (*Interruptions*)... there is a need to have a second look at the composition of the Parliamentary and Assembly constituencies in view of the fact that the population in the voting category has increased and there has been a shift in population across regions and district constituencies. In that context will the hon. Minister kindly consider the possibility of creating a delimitation commission all over again to see that something is corrected to give it a more representational character.

SHRI HANS RAJ BHARDWAJ: The proposal was received...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Linking of Ganga with Cauvery

*61. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state the current view of Government on the issue of linking Ganga and Cauvery rivers and what are the details of the scheme now pending with Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE AND THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): Proposals for linking Ganga and Cauvery rivers for transfer of surplus waters to deficit areas have been considered in the past. On examination, it was found that the proposal was not practicable and financially prohibitive. Within a national perspective, the feasibility study on Peninsular Rivers development has been undertaken by the National Water Development Agency.

Cause of floods in Punjab

@*63. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have since ascertained the exact cause of floods in Punjab during September, 1988;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what further efforts Government propose to take to avoid the recurrence of such floods in that state?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE AND THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) Recent floods were caused due to unprecedented heavy and widespread rainfall during a short period from 23 to 26 September, 1988 in Punjab and Himachal Pradesh.

(c) To manage with floods of such unprecedented nature, i.e., a probability of about once in thousand years, the cost effective measures include timely flood warnings, proper regulation of flood plains, in addition to structural measures.

@Previously Starred Question 43, transferred from the 4th November, 1988.